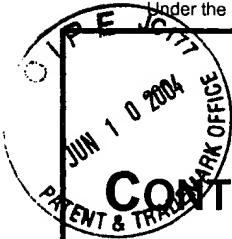


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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

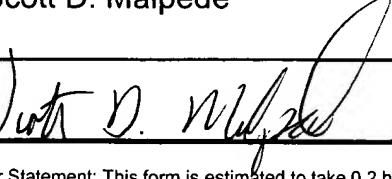
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<i>Filing Date</i>	July 10, 2001
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Yoshiyuki KURAMOTO
<i>Group Art Unit</i>	2882
<i>Examiner Name</i>	T. R. Artman
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	00684.003216

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1.	Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
a.	<input type="checkbox"/> Previously submitted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)</li> <li>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____</li> <li>iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____</li> </ul>
b.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply</li> <li>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)</li> <li>iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)</li> <li>iv. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____</li> </ul>
2.	Miscellaneous
a.	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
b.	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
3.	<b>Fees</b> The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. <u>06-1205</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)</li> <li>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)</li> <li>iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____</li> </ul> </li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$770.00 is enclosed to cover the RCE filing fee.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)</li> </ul>

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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Date	June 10, 2004		

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IMAGING OPTICAL SYSTEM )  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

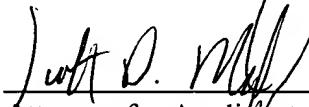
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INDEP. CLAIMS	7	MINUS	7	0	x \$43 \$86	\$0.00
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$0.00

- °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
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- Charge \$\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.
- Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the Extension fee for response within \_\_\_\_ additional months is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to further examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows: